

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Town of Essex

Regular Council Meeting Agenda

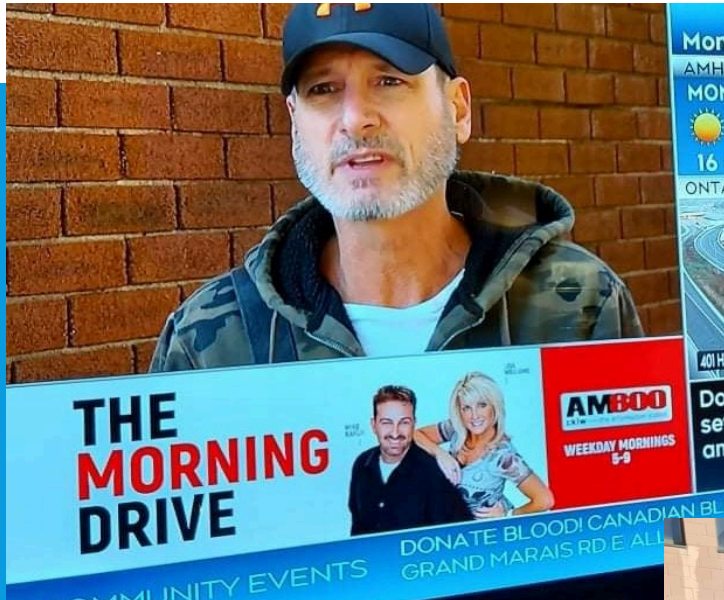
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INTRODUCTION – WHY I'M HERE

1. Drawing awareness to the lack of affordable housing
2. Concerning statistics
3. Begin the conversation about short term and long term solutions
4. Fits within the Strategic Plans for Town of Essex and Harrow

DRAWING AWARENESS

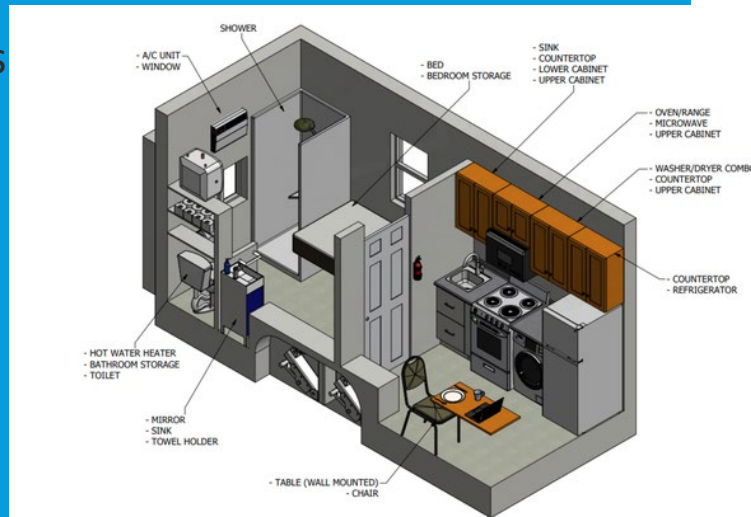


CONCERNING STATISTICS

1. Windsor-Essex has more than 5000 households on the social and affordable housing waitlist. More than 2000 units are needed. CBC – March 2021
2. Hundreds of other individuals are at risk of becoming homeless, including those in households that pay 50 percent or more of their income for rent, as well as those living in unsafe rental units. Young adults, single-parent families, individuals on a fixed income, lower-income earners and more.
3. “On any given night, it says, 251 are homeless people in Windsor-Essex, a 27 per cent increase from the last time the survey was done in 2018 and a 25 per cent increase from 2016.” Windsor Star - Dec 1, 2021

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

1. Modular dwelling park
2. Options for second dwellings - allows for the construction of second dwelling units on agricultural properties and select residential districts.
3. Incentives to move to the community
4. Land Trust



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4 Bedroom Units
8 Bedroom Units
16 Bedroom Units
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ADDRESSES STRATEGIC PLANS

1. ¹Excerpt from Harrow community strategic plan:
https://www.essex.ca/en/build/resources/Harrow_Community_Strategic_Plan_acc.pdf
2. ²Excerpt from town of essex development strategy
 - <https://www.essex.ca/en/town-hall/resources/HCIP-July-2015---Implementation-Strategy-Revised-January-2020.pdf>

WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?

- Set an action plan
 1. Discuss short term options that are best for this area:
 - What additional dwellings are possible now with current zoning?
 - What can be put in place to make it more attractive for current home-owners and investors?
 - Information and resources to determine eligibility through a self-assessment form online
 - Interim plan for Emergency shelters
 2. What about longer-term options?
 - Develop a strategy for geared-to-income housing in Essex
 - Put infrastructure in place for emergency housing and social supports
 3. Input from community (survey, web feedback form, focus groups, consultation, etc.)

QUESTIONS?

This is an opportunity for this council to improve access to a range of housing options and to encourage families to stay or to move into the community for long-term positive economic impact.

THANK YOU!